

[Mr. A Hoogewerf.]

MR. A. HOOGEWERF: (*Nominated*): It arises, considering the whole question.

Are the Government aware that the cocoanut plantations on both sides of the canal are suffering owing to the opening of the canal?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer is in part (b).

MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): Are the Government aware that for half a mile and more from the *vallakkadavu* to the Karamanai river the cocoanut plantations on both sides of the canal are suffering on account of the opening of that canal?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government have no information.

Agricultural Loans.

353. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel cum Vilavankod*): (a) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the particulars mentioned below, regarding the grant of loans under the Agricultural Loans Regulation:—

(i) the names of persons who applied for loans of Rs. 1,000 and more from 1096 to the end of 1098 as well as the amounts of such loans;

(ii) the names of the persons who, among the applicants, were granted loans and the amounts of the loans so granted; and

(iii) the purpose for which the loan was obtained in each case?

(b) Have those amounts been utilised for the purpose mentioned at the time when the loans were applied for?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*):

(a) (i), (ii), (iii) and (b) The information required by the member is available for his perusal in the office of the Secretary to the Legislative Council.

Applications for Agricultural Loans.

354. MR. A. GOVINDA MENON (*Alangad cum Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of applications for agricultural loans in 1098 and up to the beginning of Dhanu, 1099, the names of the applicants, the amounts applied for and the result of such applications in each case, as also the reasons for the delay, if any, in the disposal of the applications in 1099?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to the answer to question No. 353.

Revenue of the State and Expenditure on Salaries and Pension.

355. MR. M. K. KHADIR PILLAI (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement showing the following particulars:

(a) the annual gross income of the State in the years 1060, 1070 1080, 1090, 1095, 1096, 1097 and 1098 M. E.;

(b) the total amount spent on salaries to the whole establishment of the State in the years 1060, 1070, 1080, 1090, 1095, 1096, 1097 and 1098 M. E.;

(c) the total amount spent as pension and bonus to the retired officers and servants of the State in the years 1060, 1070, 1080, 1090, 1095, 1096, 1097 and 1098 M. E.;

(d) the total number of officers drawing a monthly pay of rupees 100 and above, 200 and above, 300 and above, 400 and above, 500 and above and 800 and above in the years 1060, 1070, 1080, 1090, 1095, 1096, 1097 and 1098 M. E.; and

(e) the total number of retired officers drawing a monthly pension of Rs. 50 and above, 100 and above, 150 and above, 200 and above, 250 and above and 400 and above in the years 1060, 1070, 1080, 1090, 1095, 1096, 1097 and 1098 M. E.?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Financial Secretary to Government*): The Government do not propose to collect the statistics required by the member, as the time and labour involved in such collection are, in their opinion, out of all proportion to its utility.

Castewar Statement of V. S. L. C. Holders in Government Service.

356. MR. C. RAMANKUNJU (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a castewar statement of Vernacular School Leaving Certificate holders recruited to the Government service, permanent and temporary, during 1097 and 1098?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The statement* required by the member, so far as 1097 is concerned, is laid on the table. Information for 1098 M. E. has been called for.

Report on the present Condition of the Fisherfolk.

357. MR. C. RAMANKUNJU (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to call for and place on the table a short report from the Director of Agriculture and Fisheries on the present condition of the fisherfolk and their industry, the possibilities of their improvement and the immediate steps to be taken in that direction?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): A report will be called for and it will be laid on the table when received.

Special Remuneration to Sirkar Vakils.

358. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement showing:

(a) the names of Sirkar Vakils who were given special remuneration over and above their pay for conducting Sirkar cases and the amount given to each of them during the last ten years;

*Vide appendix II—page 1208.